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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed July 20, 2005 (Paper No. 070805), Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims Group I, claims 1-8, for continued examination without traverse.

The Examiner has required restriction between:

Group I Claims 1-8, drawn to a semiconductor laser device, classified in class 372, subclass 43.01; or

Group II Claims 9-14, drawn to methods of manufacturing a semiconductor laser device, classified in class 438, subclass 22.

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